

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE VEIT.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 494.455, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to compensation for jurors.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 494.455, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 494.455, to read as follows:

494.455. 1. Each county or city not within a county may elect to compensate its jurors pursuant to subsection 2 of this section except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of this section.

2. Each grand and petit juror shall receive six dollars per day, for every day he or she may actually serve as such, and seven cents for every mile he or she may necessarily travel going from his or her place of residence to the courthouse and returning, to be paid from funds of the county or a city not within a county. The governing body of each county or a city not within a county may authorize additional daily compensation and mileage allowance for jurors, which additional compensation shall be paid from the funds of the county or a city not within a county. The governing body of each county or a city not within a county may authorize additional daily compensation and mileage allowance for jurors attending a coroner's inquest. Jurors may receive the additional compensation and mileage allowance authorized by this subsection only if the governing body of the county or the city not within a county authorizes the additional compensation. The provisions of this subsection authorizing additional compensation shall terminate upon the issuance of a mandate by the Missouri supreme court which results in the state of Missouri being obligated or required to pay any such additional compensation even if such additional compensation is formally approved or

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 authorized by the governing body of a county or a city not within a county. Provided that a
19 county or a city not within a county authorizes daily compensation payable from county or
20 city funds for jurors who serve in that county pursuant to this subsection in the amount of at
21 least six dollars per day in addition to the amount required by this subsection, a person shall
22 receive an additional six dollars per day to be reimbursed by the state of Missouri so that the
23 total compensation payable shall be at least eighteen dollars, plus mileage for each day that
24 the person actually serves as a petit juror in a particular case; or for each day that a person
25 actually serves as a grand juror during a term of a grand jury. The state shall reimburse the
26 county for six dollars of the additional juror compensation provided by this subsection.

27 3. **(1)** In any county of the first classification without a charter form of government
28 and with a population of at least two hundred thousand inhabitants, no grand or petit juror
29 shall receive compensation for the first two days of service, but shall receive fifty dollars per
30 day for the third day and each subsequent day he or she may actually serve as such, and seven
31 cents for every mile he or she may necessarily travel going from his or her place of residence
32 to the courthouse and returning, to be paid from funds of the county.

33 **(2) Except as provided in subdivision (1) of this subsection, in any county, upon**
34 **adoption by the county commission, no grand or petit juror shall receive compensation**
35 **for the first two days of service, but shall receive fifty dollars per day for the third day**
36 **and each subsequent day he or she may actually serve as such, and seven cents for every**
37 **mile he or she may necessarily travel going from his or her place of residence to the**
38 **courthouse and returning, to be paid from funds of the county; except that, a county**
39 **commission may authorize compensation to a grand or petit juror for the first two days**
40 **of service not to exceed ten dollars per day.**

41 4. When each panel of jurors summoned and attending court has completed its
42 service, the board of jury commissioners shall cause to be submitted to the governing body of
43 the county or a city not within a county a statement of fees earned by each juror. Within thirty
44 days of the submission of the statement of fees, the governing body shall cause payment to be
45 made to those jurors summoned the fees earned during their service as jurors.

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